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INFO AMEMBASSY LONDON

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:HPINT, SU

SUBJ: NIMEIRI TO SEE HEART SPECIALIST

REF: KHARTOUM 0728

1. UNIMPEACHABLE SOURCE TOLD AMBASSADOR APRIL 4 THAT ONE PURPOSE PRESIDENT NIMEIRI'S STILL UNANNOUNCED VISIT LONDON IS FOR APPOINTMENT WITH BRITISH HEART SPECIALIST. SOURCE SAID NIMEIRI HAS HAD RECORD HYPERTENSION BUT DID NOT KNOW WHETHER HIS REQUESTED CARDIAC CONSULTATION BETOKENS SOME PROBLEM OR IS SIMPLY PRECAUTIONARY CHECK-UP.

2. COMMENT: AT FORTY-FOUR, NIMEIRI MAINTAINS SAME HARD-DRIVING SCHEDULE AS HE HAS FOR YEARS. FORMERLY ACTIVE IN SPORTS AND NOW SOMEWHAT OVERWEIGHT, HE IS HEAVY SMOKER, SLEEPS RELATIVELY LITTLE AND FREQUENTLY SEEMS BE MOVING IN PUBLIC AT HYPERED-UP PACE. WHILE WE HAVE NO RPT NO INFO WHICH WOULD SUGGEST NIMEIRI HAS HEALTH PROBLEM, WE DO BELIEVE HIS LIFE-STYLE AND PRESSURES ON HIM COULD WELL CREATE SOME DIFFICULTY AS HE GETS OLDER.

3. ACTION REQUESTED. WE ASSUME BRITISH WILL BE MONITORING NIMEIRI'S MEDICAL CONSULTATION. EMBASSY LONDON MAY THEREFORE
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SOME FONOFF COMMENT ON HIS HEALTH AFTER HIS DEPARTURE LONDON.

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